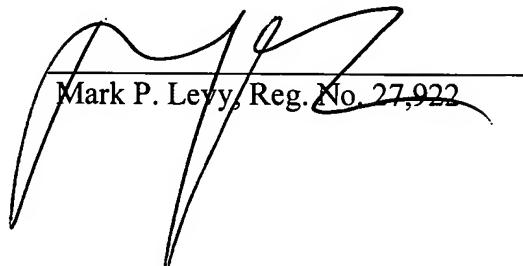


REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

This paper is submitted in response to the Official Action dated August 26, 2005 noting that the applicants had failed to address the rejection of claim 12 under 35 U.S.C. §102. In response to this notice, the applicants have amended claim 12 above to indicate that the device for recording the image includes a controller that is programmed with the reference color values. The applicants submit that claim 12, even without this amendment, is not anticipated by the teachings of Corley because Corley does not teach the last two steps of claim 12, namely, calculating a transform based upon reference color values and applying the transform to the recorded color values for the target area to calculate a corrected value for the target area. This is explained in more detail in the remarks regarding the §103 rejection in the previous response. However, to make claim 12 consistent with claim 1, the claim has been further amended to define the device itself as including a controller that is programmed with the reference color values.

Favorable action on the merits is requested in view of the foregoing remarks.

Respectfully submitted,



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